



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s): Masahito NIIKAWA  
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**RESPONSE**

This Response is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004, which provides for a response period ending September 21, 2004.

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, for one additional month to October 21, 2004, is being filed concurrently.

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